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REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF JULY, 1951.

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POPULATION.

The population of the State on the 31st March, 1951, was estimated to be 576,851, comprising 296,534 Males and 280,317 Females.

The estimated population of the Metropolitan Area at the 31st December, 1950, was 309,000.

MARRIAGES, BIRTHS AND DEATHS - WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

	JUNE.		6 Months ended JUNE.	
	1951	1950	1951	1950
Marriages -	Number.	396	392	2,887
	*Rate per 1000 of Population.	8.31	8.56	2,825
Births -	Number.	1,199	1,108	7,493
	*Rate per 1000 of Population.	25.15	24.21	6,809
Deaths -	Number.	489	472	2,504
	*Rate per 1000 of Population.	10.26	10.31	2,347
Infant Mortality -	Number.	31	33	238
	#Rate per 1000 Live Births.	25.85	29.78	202
			31.76	29.67

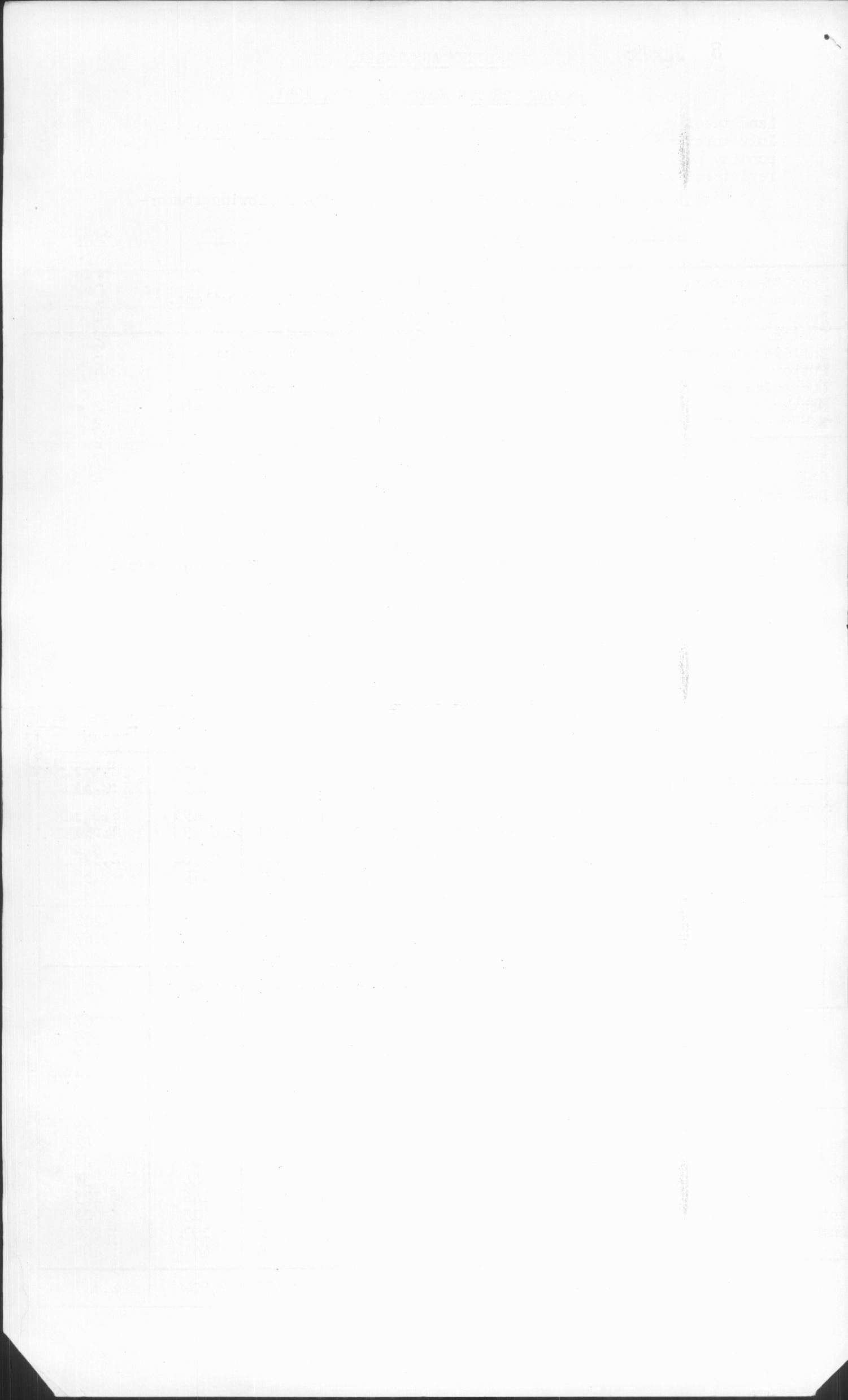
PRINCIPAL CAUSES OF DEATH -

Tuberculosis.	4	13	49	67
Cancer.	61	55	343	335
Influenza.	2	3	3	7
Diphtheria.	3	-	8	2
Cerebral Haemorrhage, Etc.	58	47	269	240
Arteriosclerosis.	21	14	79	60
Diseases of the Heart.	170	162	760	669
Pneumonia and Broncho-Pneumonia.	15	29	86	82
Diarrhoea and Enteritis.	2	2	46	28
Nephritis.	8	7	44	37
Diseases of Early Infancy.	21	19	146	123
Senility.	3	3	13	23
Accidents.	31	24	197	206
All Other Causes.	90	94	461	468
<b>Total.</b>	<b>489</b>	<b>472</b>	<b>2,504</b>	<b>2,347</b>

\*Equivalent Annual Rate.

# Deaths under one year.

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LAND SETTLEMENT.

Land taken up under conditional alienation during the seven months ended July totalled 770,433 acres, an increase of 219,250 acres on the corresponding period last year. Pastoral, special and miscellaneous leases registered amounted to 2,315,117 acres, an increase of 1,220,750 acres.

STATE GOVERNMENT CONSOLIDATED REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE.

	Month of July.		12 Months ended June.	
	1951	1950	1951	1950
	£.	£.	£.	£.
Revenue.	2,333,775	1,942,365	28,156,181	25,810,961
Revenue per Head of Population.	£4. 0. 3	£3. 9. 6	£49. 6. 2	£47. 5. 10
Expenditure.	2,426,646	2,048,169	27,996,834	25,787,203
Expenditure per Head of Population.	£4. 3. 6	£3. 13. 4	£49. 0. 7	£47. 5. 0

SAVINGS BANKS.

Depositors' Balances on the 31st July amounted to £44,921,787 or £77. 3. 8 per head of population as against £39,687,462 or £70. 17. 9 per head as at the 31st July last year.

BANK CLEARANCES.

The average weekly clearance for the 4 weeks ended 25th July, 1951 amounted to £10,319,479 compared with £8,156,698 for the corresponding period last year.

REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS.

Registrations effected at the Office of Land Titles and Deeds.	JULY.		12 Months ended JUNE.	
	1951	1950	1951	1950
Transfers.	No. 2,238	£. 2,106	25,628	22,128
	£. 3,143,425	2,371,041	30,341,469	20,148,416
Mortgages.	No. 1,421	£. 1,559	16,816	13,993
	£. 1,825,488	2,339,838	21,467,053	15,962,278.
Discharges of Mortgages.	No. 963	£. 1,029	12,076	10,907

SALES TAX: SALES OF TAXABLE & EXEMPT GOODS & TAX COLLECTED.

	Taxable Goods.		Sales of Exempt Goods.	Tax Collected.
	Sales in respect of which Tax is Payable. (Gross).	Sales in respect of which Tax is NOT Payable. (Gross).		
Twelve Months ended June, 1950.	£. 23,126,660	£. 15,063,742	£. 49,812,041	£. 2,412,088
Twelve Months ended June, 1951.	£. 30,133,146	£. 22,098,828	£. 62,541,009	£. 3,107,534
Month of July, 1950.	£. 2,214,102	£. 1,564,525	£. 4,416,974	£. 210,631
Month of July, 1951.	£. 2,440,808	£. 2,336,159	£. 5,658,238	£. 285,282



COMPANIES REGISTERED.

9 Local Companies, with a nominal capital of £235,000, and 10 Foreign Companies were registered during July, 1951. Registrations for the corresponding month last year comprised 11 Local Companies with a nominal capital of £600,000, and 5 Foreign Companies.

BANKRUPTCY.

	Month of JULY.					
	1951			1950		
	No.	Liabilities.	Assets.	No.	Liabilities.	Assets.
Sequestration Orders.	2	4,974	101	6	20,980	8,030
Deeds of Assignment.(a)	1	2,157	1,372	-	-	-
Deeds of Arrangement.	1	1,978	1,015	-	-	-

(a) Includes Compositions and Schemes of Arrangement.

TRANSPORT.

The operations of the State Government Railways, open for General and Passenger traffic, were as follows:-

	JUNE.		12 Months ended JUNE.	
	1951	1950	1951	1950
Gross Earnings (a) *	£.	808,914	723,349	7,196,214
Working Expenses (a)	£.	837,331	751,502	8,618,863
Train Miles Run.	No.	589,521	582,661	7,135,668
Motor Bus Miles Run.	No.	(b) 280,875	(b) 211,510	(c) 1,807,855
Passenger Journeys -				
Train.	No.	737,833	1,151,079	11,542,778
Motor Bus.	No.	49,092	48,111	551,969
Tonnage Carried -		...	...	...
Paying Goods.		243,024	225,619	2,892,784
Livestock.		6,707	8,974	140,429
Departmental (Free Freight).		84,218	59,924	896,243
Total.		333,949	294,517	3,929,456
Net Ton Mileage of -				
Paying Goods.		36,142,460	33,047,615	442,772,795
Livestock.		707,324	1,358,732	17,200,476
Departmental (Free Freight).		8,493,733	8,117,818	103,375,817
Total.		45,343,517	42,524,165	563,349,088
				527,073,182

(a) Includes operations of the Railway Road Service.

\* Figures liable to revision.

(b) Eight weeks ended 30th June.

(c) Period ended 30th June.

**OPERATION CAVASO**

Completion of this operation will be followed immediately by another, which is  
not yet identified, and will consist of a series of attacks against  
Lammon & Hill's, seeking to knock out the last major center of resistance.

It is expected that the final assault will be made on the 25th, and from

that date until the end of the month, the forces will be held in reserve.

The first objective will be the capture of the town of Lammon & Hill.

The second objective will be the capture of the town of Hill.

The third objective will be the capture of the town of Lammon.

The fourth objective will be the capture of the town of Hill.

The fifth objective will be the capture of the town of Lammon & Hill.

The sixth objective will be the capture of the town of Hill.

The seventh objective will be the capture of the town of Lammon.

The eighth objective will be the capture of the town of Hill.

The ninth objective will be the capture of the town of Lammon & Hill.

The tenth objective will be the capture of the town of Hill.

The eleventh objective will be the capture of the town of Lammon.

The twelfth objective will be the capture of the town of Hill.

The thirteenth objective will be the capture of the town of Lammon & Hill.

The fourteenth objective will be the capture of the town of Hill.

The fifteenth objective will be the capture of the town of Lammon.

The sixteenth objective will be the capture of the town of Hill.

The seventeenth objective will be the capture of the town of Lammon & Hill.

The eighteenth objective will be the capture of the town of Hill.

The nineteenth objective will be the capture of the town of Lammon.

The twentieth objective will be the capture of the town of Hill.

The twenty-first objective will be the capture of the town of Lammon & Hill.

The twenty-second objective will be the capture of the town of Hill.

The twenty-third objective will be the capture of the town of Lammon.

The twenty-fourth objective will be the capture of the town of Hill.

The twenty-fifth objective will be the capture of the town of Lammon & Hill.

The twenty-sixth objective will be the capture of the town of Hill.

The twenty-seventh objective will be the capture of the town of Lammon.

The twenty-eighth objective will be the capture of the town of Hill.

The twenty-ninth objective will be the capture of the town of Lammon & Hill.

The thirtieth objective will be the capture of the town of Hill.

The thirty-first objective will be the capture of the town of Lammon.

The thirty-second objective will be the capture of the town of Hill.

The thirty-third objective will be the capture of the town of Lammon & Hill.

MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS.(1) NEW VEHICLES REGISTERED (EXCLUDING COMMONWEALTH OWNED VEHICLES).

Period.	METROPOLITAN AREA.				ENTIRE STATE.			
	Cars (including Hire Cars).	Wagons, Vans, Utilities.	Buses.	Motor Cycles.	Cars (including Hire Cars).	Wagons, Vans, Utilities.	Buses.	Motor Cycles.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Year 1947.	1,224	519	40	593	2,066	1,685	54	883
Year 1948.	2,083	726	63	824	4,036	2,483	114	1,376
Year 1949.	3,250	1,141	79	1,160	6,592	3,722	156	2,120
Year 1950.	4,664	1,901	86	1,214	9,325	5,660	150	2,390
<u>1951 -</u>								
January.	264	137	3	123	507	458	5	208
February.	348	177	2	137	654	526	5	224
March.	354	199	2	208	666	604	4	338
April.	359	153	1	193	652	449	7	308
May.	329	200	3	159	600	477	9	266
June.	259	221	2	145	475	520	6	244

(2) MOTOR VEHICLES IN USE (EFFECTIVE REGISTRATIONS).\*

Date (As at end of Month).	METROPOLITAN AREA.				ENTIRE STATE.			
	Cars (including Hire Cars).	Wagons, Vans, Utilities.	Buses.	Motor Cycles.	Cars (including Hire Cars).	Wagons, Vans, Utilities.	Buses.	Motor Cycles.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
<u>1948 -</u>								
June.	21,968	10,132	275	5,445	35,485	34,362	457	8,874
December.	23,389	11,081	335	6,063	37,820	36,453	572	9,622
<u>1949 -</u>								
June.	24,259	11,330	364	6,729	39,989	37,680	648	10,972
December.	26,245	11,989	402	7,286	43,981	40,412	781	11,740
<u>1950 -</u>								
June.	28,529	12,530	443	7,707	48,485	41,688	826	12,890
December.	31,223	13,490	494	8,230	52,185	42,792	903	13,030
<u>1951 -</u>								
January.	31,463	13,645	497	8,341	51,830	41,257	898	12,853
February.	31,656	13,783	498	8,437	52,904	42,942	917	13,256
March.	31,900	13,932	496	8,550	53,460	43,496	917	13,500
April.	32,113	14,041	498	8,670	54,422	44,571	934	13,970
May.	32,301	14,154	498	8,757	55,126	45,386	944	14,260
June.	32,966	14,461	499	8,876	56,109	46,150	950	14,521

\* Excluding Commonwealth-owned Vehicles, which comprised for June, 1951 - 126 Cars; 814 Wagons, Vans, etc.; 8 Buses and 14 Motor Cycles.

TRADE (INTERSTATE AND OVERSEA).

Trade of Western Australia, June, 1951 and 1950 and 12 months ended June, 1951 and 1950, expressed in terms of Australian Currency:-

	IMPORTS.				EXPORTS. (Including Ships' Stores).			
	JUNE.		12 Months ended June.		JUNE.		12 Months ended June.	
	1951	1950	1951	1950	1951	1950	1951	1950
Oversea.	£A,000	£A,000	£A,000	£A,000	£A,000	£A,000	£A,000	£A,000
Interstate.	3,619	3,487	40,263	34,422	6,122	3,486	102,179	55,528
TOTAL.	5,028	4,565	47,914	35,022	1,365	673	9,661	6,338
	8,647	8,052	88,177	69,444	7,487	4,159	111,840	61,866



BUILDING ACTIVITY.

Note: These tables supersede particulars published in previous reports of Building Permits issued by Local Authorities.

(1) NEW BUILDINGS COMPLETED.

Period.	Dwellings.				Factories.		Other.		Total.	
	Owner-Built.		By Contractors etc. (a)							
	No.	Value. £,000	No.	Value. £,000	No.	Value. £,000	No.	Value. £,000	No.	Value. £,000
Year 1946	55	32	1,316	1,221	52	82	145	192	1,568	1,527
Year 1947	165	109	2,245	2,380	37	64	164	327	2,611	2,880
Year 1948	514	346	2,544	3,041	49	160	268	431	3,375	3,978
Year 1949	825	693	2,485	3,476	57	215	317	657	3,684	5,041
Year 1950	1,313	1,365	3,331	4,727	41	263	428	651	5,113	7,006
<u>1951 -</u>										
March Qr.	442	583	780	1,255	8	26	82	189	1,312	2,053
June Qr.	425	571	1,002	1,629	5	20	143	301	1,575	2,521

(a) Comprises Governmental Day Labour as well as Private Contractor operations, and includes Shop Dwellings, Flats and other Residential excluded from table (2) hereunder.

(2) HOUSE CONSTRUCTION.

(Including Owner-Built Homes).

Period.	Houses Completed - Classified according to Materials of Outer Walls.									
	Brick, Stone, Concrete, etc.		Wood or Mainly Wood.		Fibro-Cement or Mainly Fibro-Cement.		Other Material.		Total.	
	No.	Value. £,000	No.	Value. £,000	No.	Value. £,000	No.	Value. £,000	No.	Value. £,000
Year 1946	578	640	186	140	373	296	227	172	1,364	1,248
Year 1947	1,114	1,365	257	196	966	862	62	47	2,399	2,470
Year 1948	1,252	1,715	326	249	1,436	1,348	29	22	3,043	3,334
Year 1949	1,449	2,235	228	191	1,571	1,649	42	43	3,290	4,118
Year 1950	1,709	2,882	337	311	2,262	2,572	55	48	4,363	5,813
<u>1951 -</u>										
March Qr.	447	877	93	88	613	803	21	22	1,174	1,790
June Qr.	507	1,027	106	110	678	923	65	63	1,356	2,123

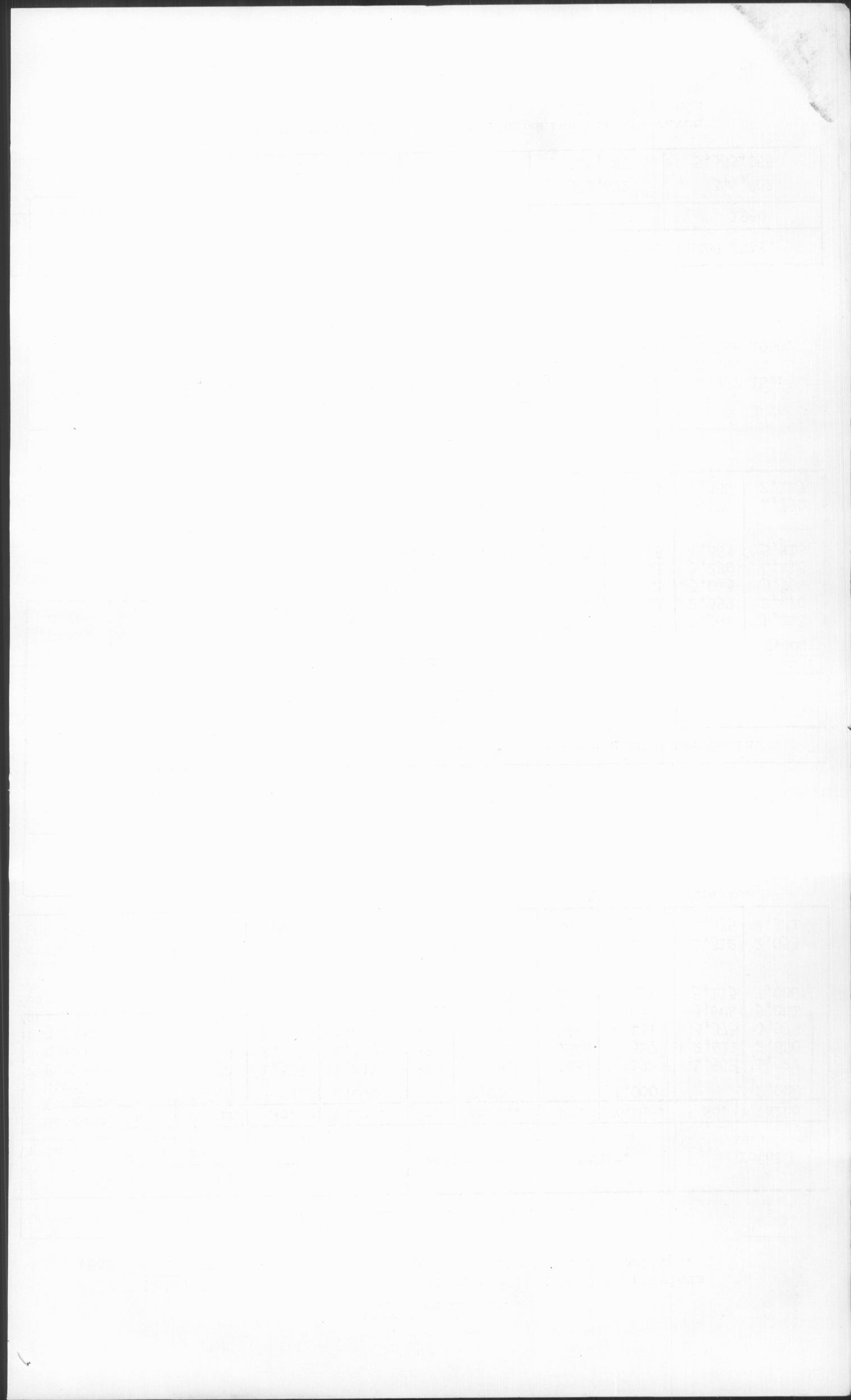
BUTTER PRODUCTION IN FACTORIES.

1,218,311 lbs. were produced during June, 1951, and 15,574,087 lbs. for the twelve months ended June, 1951, as against 947,952 and 15,010,843 lbs. respectively for the corresponding periods for 1950.

GOLD PRODUCTION.

	JULY.		7 Months ended JULY.	
	1951	1950	1951	1950
Quantity .... Fine Ozs.	48,971	46,152	369,672	344,822
Value (Aust. Currency) £.	758,639	714,965	5,726,847	5,353,055

Dividends reported by Gold Mining Companies for the seven months ended July, 1951, amounted to £496,721. Dividends reported for the corresponding period of 1950 amounted to £565,680.



RETAIL PRICES INDEX NUMBERS.

(Base of Each Series: Weighted Average of Six Capitals for 1923/27 = 1000).

Town.	Food and Groceries.				All Items of Household Expenditure ("C" Series).			
	JUNE QUARTER.		12 Months ended JUNE.		JUNE QUARTER.		12 Months ended JUNE.	
	1951	1950	1951	1950	1951	1950	1951	1950
Metropolitan Area.	1,904	1,559	1,754	1,506	1,827	1,517	1,673	1,473
Kalgoorlie-Boulder.	2,055	1,694	1,887	1,637	1,906	1,616	1,762	1,564
Northam.	1,938	1,584	1,771	1,526	1,842	1,532	1,687	1,485
Bunbury.	1,922	1,561	1,773	1,509	1,825	1,532	1,688	1,488
Geraldton.	1,972	1,602	1,803	1,543	1,921	1,590	1,760	1,538
Collie.	1,931	1,564	1,772	1,519	1,750	1,454	1,607	1,411

ESTIMATED TOTAL EMPLOYMENT.

(Excluding Rural and Private Domestic).

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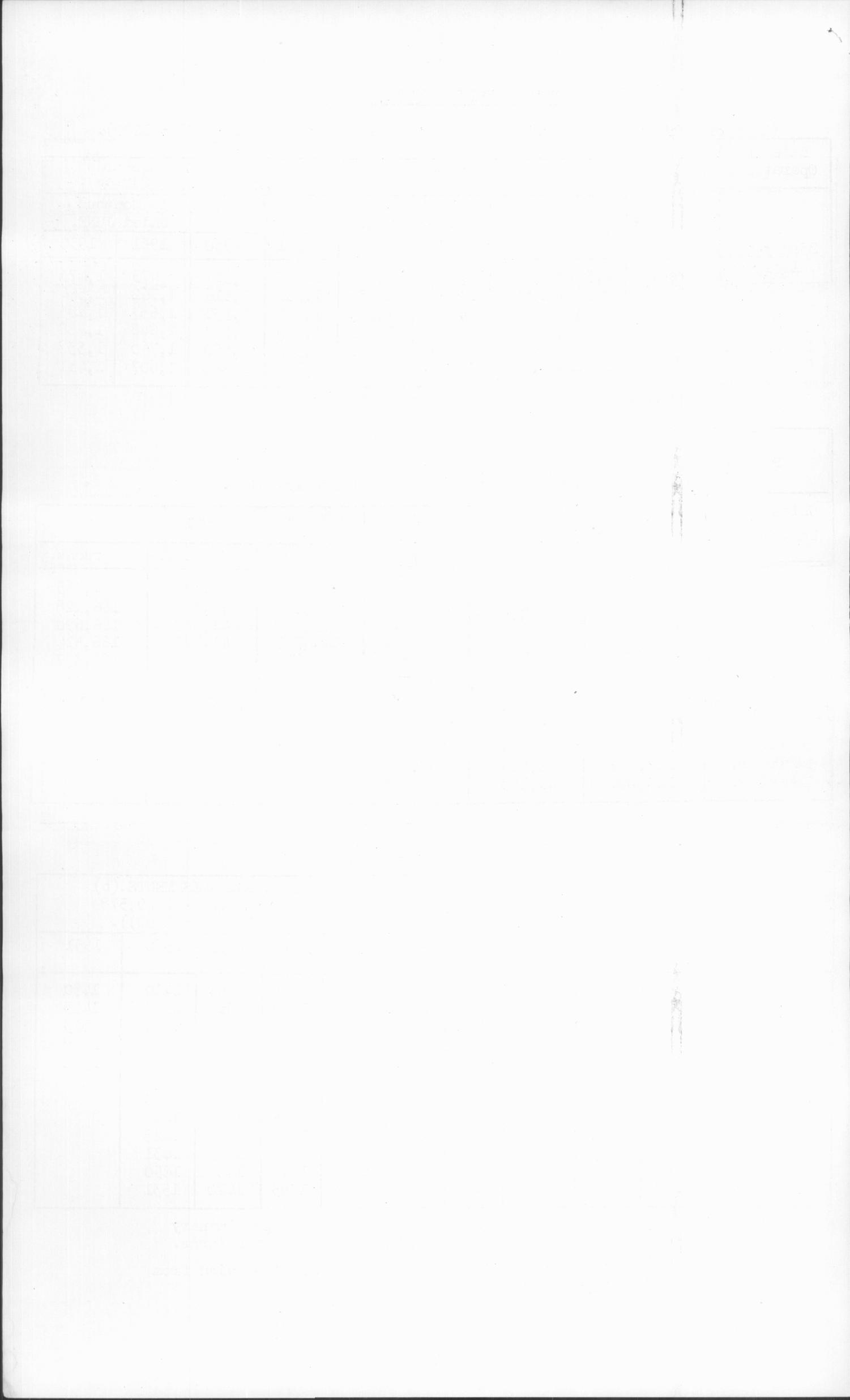
Month.	1950			1951		
	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.
January.	117,756	38,819	156,575	123,741	40,324	164,065
February.	118,064	39,050	157,114	124,946	41,182	166,128
March.	119,009	39,708	158,717	125,210	41,480	166,690
April.	119,440	39,726	159,166	124,785	41,729	166,514
May.	120,616	39,755	160,371	124,715	41,642	166,357
June.	120,479	39,952	160,431			
July.	120,412	39,753	160,165			
August.	121,263	40,015	161,278			
September.	121,691	40,367	162,058			
October.	121,871	40,343	162,214			
November.	122,889	40,583	163,472			
December.	123,146	41,199	164,345			

EMPLOYMENT INDEX SERIES.

Month.	FACTORIES. (Base: 1928/29 (19,799 Employees = 100)).					RETAIL ESTABLISHMENTS (b) (Base: July 1941 (9,578 Employees = 1000)).				
	1947	1948	1949	1950	1951 (a)	1947	1948	1949	1950	1951
January.	162	171	179	194	206	1134	1233	1354	1410	1490
February.	164	172	182	197	209	1138	1249	1358	1387	1495
March.	166	176	186	200	209	1145	1264	1371	1415	1513
April.	167	176	187	200	209	1144	1264	1377	1415	1508
May.	168	177	187	203	210	1151	1277	1354	1418	1500
June.	167	177	187	202		1153	1277	1362	1429	
July.	167	177	182	202		1168	1301	1381	1423	
August.	167	179	189	202		1181	1294	1377	1419	
September.	168	180	190	203		1172	1302	1365	1428	
October.	168	180	191	204		1184	1318	1375	1431	
November.	169	182	192	205		1215	1349	1402	1450	
December.	170	182	194	204		1267	1385	1470	1531	

(a) Figures subsequent to June, 1950 are preliminary and are based primarily on Pay Roll Tax Returns.

(b) Indexes computed by Commonwealth Statistician from Pay Roll Tax Returns.



STATE BASIC WAGE.

Date of Operation.	Metropolitan Area.			South-West Land Division.		Goldfields and Rest of State.		
	Male.		Female.	Male.		Female.	Male.	
	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.
23rd July, 1951.	9.	16.	8	5.	11.	1	9.	15.
	15.	9		10.	10.	8	10.	1.
				10.	1.	6	10.	13.
								8

ELECTRICITY SUPPLY - METROPOLITAN AREA.

(Generated by the W.A. Government Power Station).

Particulars.	JULY.		12 Months ended JUNE.	
	1951	1950	1951	1950
Units Generated (1000 K.W.H.)	27,620	21,950	277,825	235,068
Units Sent Out (1000 K.W.H.)	24,367	20,116	253,007	214,898

LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERINGS IN PRINCIPAL ESTABLISHMENTS.

Period.	Cattle.	Calves.	Sheep.	Pigs.
July, 1951.	14,673	340	27,513	10,125
July, 1950.	15,390	550	32,972	7,056
7 Months ended July, 1951.	69,408	2,274	296,343	61,671
7 Months ended July, 1950.	70,721	2,734	358,017	54,171

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